

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: January 26, 2016

Agency Name: Division of Child and Family Services

Agency 1735 Kaiser Street

Address: Fallon, Nevada 89406

Date of written notification to the Division of Child and Family Services and Legislative Auditor:

Internal reference UNITY ID or Report Number: case number 1410065

Type of Report: ☒ 48 Hour Notice ☐ 15 Day Update ☐ 30 Day Update ☐ Final

☒ Child **Date of Death:** January 26, 2016

Fatality

☐ Near **Date of Near Fatality:**

Fatality

Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of _____ law enforcement.

(Name of agency)

Information for Release:

A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the death of a child:

January 26, 2016

B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county):

Lyon County, Nevada

C. A summary of the report of abuse or neglect and a factual description of the contents of the report:

The Division of Child and Family Services received a report that a child was found unresponsive in his crib, on his back.

D. The date of birth and gender of child:

October 23, 2015, male child.

E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality:

January 26, 2016

F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:

Unknown, still under investigation.

- G. Whether the agency had any contact with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and, if so:** (1) The frequency of any contact or communication with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and the date on which the last contact or communication occurred before the fatality or near fatality;
- (2) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services provided any child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
- (3) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services made any referrals for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
- (4) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services took any other actions concerning the welfare of the child before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality; and
- (5) A summary of the status of the child's case at the time of the fatality or near fatality, including, without limitation, whether the child's case was closed by the agency which provides child welfare services before the fatality or near fatality and, if so, the reasons that the case was closed.

DCFS has received the following prior reports for this child and/or his family:

- 10/23/15- A report was received alleging Negligent Treatment/Environmental Neglect. Upon conclusion of investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.
- 12/10/15- A report was received alleging Negligent Treatment/Environmental Neglect. Court action was initiated and the child who is the subject of this public disclosure was found to be in need of protection, and was placed in the legal and physical custody of the Division of Child and Family Services. The agency was providing services to the family.

- H. Whether the agency which provides child welfare services, in response to the fatality or near fatality:** (1) Has provided or intends to provide child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household; and (2) Has made or intends to make a referral for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household; and (3) Has taken or intends to take any other action concerning the welfare and safety of the child or any member of the child's family or household.

DCFS has opened a case on this family due to this child fatality. Services will be offered to the family once a complete assessment is conducted.

NON-DISCLOSURE NOTICE

The following information must not be released (see Policy on Public Disclosure of Child Fatality and Near Fatality Information, page 4): 1) Information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 2) the name of the reporting party or individual making an allegation or referral will not be released; 3) if the disclosure of the information would adversely affect any pending investigation concerning a report (NRS 432B.290(3)); 4) if the disclosure violates other federal or state law, including, but not limited to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), alcohol and drug abuse patient records (42 USC §290dd-2 and 42 CFR §212 (c)(6)), and any other applicable law.